

**6675. Adulteration of milk. U. S. \* \* \* v. George F. Pierce, jr. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$10 and costs. (F. & D. No. 8932. I. S. No. 9503-m.)**

On November 12, 1918, the United States attorney for the District of Connecticut, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against George F. Pierce, jr., East Killingly, Conn., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about April 10, 1917, from the State of Connecticut into the State of Rhode Island, of a quantity of milk which was adulterated.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

Total solids (by drying) (per cent)_____	10.79
Fat (by Babcock) (per cent)_____	2.80
Solids not fat (per cent)_____	7.99
Ash (per cent)_____	.63
Refraction copper serum at 20° C_____	36.5
Refraction sour milk serum at 20° C_____	39.25
This analysis indicates that butter fat has been in part abstracted.	

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that a valuable constituent thereof—to wit, butter fat—had been wholly or in part abstracted.

On December 3, 1918, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$10 and costs.

C. F. MARVIN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*